

er's division of the police department. That was eight and one-half months ago. No report of their findings has been made.

In September Chief of Police Healey called a meeting of those in favor of and opposed to the fender ordinance. He told them that the law would be enforced despite their wishes, for the council had so voted.

Then another branch of big business, the express companies and Commercial Auto Owners' ass'n, made their howl. All pleaded cost and impracticability.

The express companies knew that if Chicago adopted auto fenders other cities throughout the country might follow suit. Auto fenders cost money. So they put in their kick.

The trust press, willingly taking stories from press agents of corporation interests, have hammered and rapped at the law. The Daily News has been especially active.

And "Maje" Funkhouser's testers are still at it, although every day's delay gives the enemies of safety another respite and a better chance to kill the ordinance.

The State Street Merchants' ass'n, represented by the delegation which hustled over to the city hall the other day, doesn't want auto trucks made safe. Yet their autos kill and crush hundreds on our streets every year.

If you or yours are the next victims of a department store's unprotected auto truck, remember who is helping to stall things in the city hall—that State street gang.

#### OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

What a hard and reckless city this is! Sixteen children killed by automobiles since Sept. 1.

Blindly and brutally the game goes on and the sixteen dead children will mount to a list of forty, fifty, sixty children murdered by automobiles in the streets of Chicago the coming year.

Why should the money of motor car advertisers or anything else stop

the newspapers from proclaiming day after day in fierce editorials the truth that the modern motor car as run by speed maniacs and joy riders is a worse murderer than any Black Hand gang that ever slit a throat?

Why does this record of killings go right on month after month and year after year with nothing but talk and talk and talk from the officials and no results but more death and death?

**YOUR BOY, YOUR GIRL, MAY BE NEXT.**

Then your alderman, the police and the courts and all the books and pamphlets on safety first will be useless.

This is a city of much talk, where the cheapest thing is human life.

Whether you go on a garment strike picket line or whether you innocently cross a street where automobiles are rushing along, you are in danger from the anarchy and the indifference of officialdom.

#### COUNCIL COMMITTEE IGNORED

City Att'y Francis and Boiler Inspector Geo. Nye, both of whom are being investigated by the council judiciary committee, each sent the committee today letters of almost identical wording saying the committee had no right to investigate them and that they would not obey the request to appear and answer questions.

#### TO PASS ON SLUGGER ORDER

Corporation Counsel Ettelson will tonight present to city council his opinion on the legality of the Buck ordinance forbidding employers to hire private cops and sluggers. Ettelson's predecessor, Folsom, rendered an opinion against the ordinance and it is expected Ettelson will do likewise.

J. A. Cervenka restrained by appellate court from prosecuting suit against stockholders of La Salle St. Trust & Savings bank to enforce their liabilities to bank's creditors.